

Claim 16, lines 1 and 2, delete "any one of claims 13 to 15" and substitute - - claim 13 - -

Claim 17, lines 1 and 2, delete "any one of claims 13 to 16" and substitute - - claim 13 - -

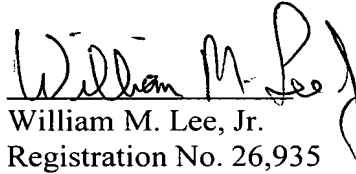
Remarks

The above amendments are being made in order to eliminate multiple dependency and improper multiple dependency from the application before calculation of the application filing fee. Should any multiple dependency remain, that is unintended, and the Patent and Trademark Office is requested to cancel any remaining multiple dependent claims without prejudice before calculation of the application filing fee.

Examination of the application on its merits is awaited.

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